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DEPT PASS NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR LAFLEUR
AND BIRKEL

US COAST GUARD FOR CDR. J. DECK III

MARAD FOR Z. LEVINE

SECSTATE FOR OES/NET/HOYLE

ERDA FOR SIEVERING AND NEWBY

E.O. 11652:N/A
TAGS: EWWT, ENRG, ETRD, TECH, CA
SUBJECT; NUCLEAR ICEBREAKER QUESTION

REF: OTTAWA 0301

1. STATUS OF PROJECT REVIEWED BRIEFLY ON MARCH 30 WITH
O'NEIL (CANADIAN COAST GUARD COMMISSIONER) WHO TOLD TCO
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STATEMENT TO CONSULTANTS FROM AECB OUTLINING
REGULATORY PROS AND CONS OF EACH BID NOT YET AVAILABLE.
THUS, FINAL EVALUATION OF FOUR COMPETING BIDS WAS STILL
UNDERWAY BY CONSULTANTS AND THEIR REPORT NOT EXPECTED
FOR AT LEAST SEVERAL MORE WEEKS. O'NEIL SAID HE HAD
HEARD U.S. FIRMS MAY BE PREPARED TO REDUCE QUOTED
PRICE AND, IF SO, THEY SHOULD COMMUNICATE WORD PROMPTLY

TO CONSULTANTS (CECO) SO THAT THIS MIGHT GET INTO
THEIR FINAL REPORT.

2. O'NEIL NOW EXPECTS CABINET DECISIONS RE (A) NUCLEAR
POWER AND (B) CONTRACT FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF
ICEBREAKER WITHIN SIX MONTHS. SAID IT COULD BE EARLIER,
BUT HE IS USING THE SIX MONTH TIMEFRAME FOR PLANNING
PURPOSES.

3. HE NOTED THAT DECISION TREE RELEVANT THIS ISSUE
HAS BECOME SOMEWHAT COMPLICATED IN VIEW OF COMMERCIAL
PRESSURES FOR OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS IN HIGH ARCTIC
DISCUSSED PARAS 3 G AND H REFTEL. THIS MAY REQUIRE
SHIP REDESIGN TO BRING IT TO CLASS X STANDARDS.
LIKEWISE, THERE ARE PROBLEMS OF TIMING. IF IT BECOMES
EVIDENT THAT THERE IS NEED FOR MAJOR ICEBREAKER TO
SUPPORT RESOURCE OPERATIONS PRIOR TO 1984, CANADA
MAY HAVE TO GO CONVENTIONAL RATHER THAN NUCLEAR.
DECISION ON THIS POINT ALSO EXPECTED WITHIN SIX
MONTHS. ENDERS

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